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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: USE OF PHYTANETRIOL AS AN ANTI-

POLLUTION AGENT, IN PARTICULAR

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IN A COSMETIC COMPOSITION

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 5, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A method of protecting keratin materials from the harmful effects of pollution, comprising topically applying a composition comprising a pollutant penetration limiting effective amount of phytagetriol to said keratin materials.

23. (Amended) A treatment process for protecting a keratin material against the effects of pollution, comprising applying to the keratin material a composition comprising a pollutant penetration limiting effective amount of phytanetriol in a physiologically acceptable medium.

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